

What is claimed is:

1 1. In a speech recognition system, a method of using multiple cursors for dictation  
2 and correction, said method comprising the steps of:

3 detecting whether a correction marker has been included within a body of text;  
4 searching for a user specified portion of text to be corrected within said body of  
5 text;

6 selecting said user specified portion of text;  
7 substituting an alternate user specified portion of text for said user specified  
8 portion of text within said body of text;

9 locating said correction marker within said body of text at a location defined by  
10 said alternate user specified portion of text; and

11 relocating an insertion cursor to the end of said body of text.

12 2. The method of claim 1, wherein said correction marker has been detected and  
13 said searching step begins searching said body of text from said correction marker  
14 toward the end of said body of text.

15 3. The method of claim 1, wherein said correction marker has not been detected  
16 and said searching step begins searching said body of text from the beginning of said  
17 body of text toward the end of said body of text.

18 4. The method of claim 1, further comprising:  
19 initiating a dictation correction function responsive to a user command, said user  
20 command specifying said portion of text to be corrected.

- 1 5. The method of claim 1, further comprising:  
2 searching for a second portion of text specified by said user starting from said  
3 location of said correction marker responsive to a second user command specifying  
4 said second portion of text.
- 1 6. The method of claim 1, wherein said correction marker is visible to said user.
- 1 7. The method of claim 1, wherein said correction marker is invisible to said user.
- 1 8. The method of claim 1, wherein a visual representation of said correction marker  
2 is turned on or off responsive to a user command.
- 1 9. The method of claim 1, further comprising:  
2 relocating said correction cursor to a user specified location responsive to a user  
3 command.
- 1 10. In a speech recognition system, a method of using multiple cursors for dictation  
2 and correction, said method comprising the steps of:  
3 providing two independent cursors, said first cursor identifying a location for  
4 insertion of additional dictated text, said second cursor identifying a location for  
5 insertion of alternate text;  
6 inserting additional dictated text at said location identified by said first cursor;  
7 and,  
8 inserting alternate text at said location identified by said second cursor.

1 11. A machine readable storage, having stored thereon a computer program having  
2 a plurality of code sections executable by a machine for causing the machine to  
3 perform the steps of:

4 detecting whether a correction marker has been included within a body of text;  
5 searching for a user specified portion of text to be corrected within said body of  
6 text;

7 selecting said user specified portion of text;  
8 substituting an alternate user specified portion of text for said user specified  
9 portion of text within said body of text;

10 locating said correction marker within said body of text at a location defined by  
11 said alternate user specified portion of text; and

12 relocating an insertion cursor to the end of said body of text.

1 12. The machine readable storage of claim 11, wherein said correction marker has  
2 been detected and said searching step begins searching said body of text from said  
3 correction marker toward the end of said body of text.

1 13. The machine readable storage of claim 11, wherein said correction marker has  
2 not been detected and said searching step begins searching said body of text from the  
3 beginning of said body of text toward the end of said body of text.

1 14. The machine readable storage of claim 11, further comprising:  
2 initiating a dictation correction function responsive to a user command, said user  
3 command specifying said portion of text to be corrected.

1 15. The machine readable storage of claim 11, further comprising:  
2 searching for a second portion of text specified by said user starting from said  
3 location of said correction marker responsive to a second user command specifying  
4 said second portion of text.

1 16. The machine readable storage of claim 11, wherein said correction marker is  
2 visible to said user.

1 17. The machine readable storage of claim 11, wherein said correction marker is  
2 invisible to said user.

1 18. The machine readable storage of claim 11, wherein a visual representation of  
2 said correction marker is turned on or off responsive to a user command.

1 19. The machine readable storage of claim 11, further comprising:  
2 relocating said correction cursor to a user specified location responsive to a user  
3 command.